

**PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD OF CALIFORNIA****Consumer Protection Services Program**

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April 26, 2004

Citation No. 03-04-0110

Ruben Torres, P.T.A.
227 Argonne Ave #2
Long Beach CA 90803

License No. AT 5040

CITATION

Information obtained by the Physical Therapy Board of California has determined that actions taken by you have violated sections of the law regulating the practice of physical therapy.

A Citation is hereby issued to you in accordance with Section 125.9 of the Business and Professions Code for the violations described below.

The information obtained confirms that you practiced physical therapy without a valid license. Your physical therapist assistant license had expired on June 30, 2003, however, your renewal fee was not received until September 17, 2003. Based on your employment history received from your employer on February 5, 2004, it has been confirmed that you performed physical therapy without a valid California license during the period on or about, July 1, 2003 through September 17, 2003 at Pacific Coast Healthcare in Burbank, California and was compensated for said services.

FIRST CAUSE FOR CITATION

1. Section 2630 of the Business and Professions Code.

It is unlawful for any person or persons to practice or offer to practice, physical therapy in this state for compensation received or expected, or to hold himself or herself out as a physical therapist, unless at the time of so doing the persons holds a valid, unexpired, and unrevoked, license issued under this chapter.

ORDER

Further, **you are ordered to pay a fine of \$ 100.00** to the Physical Therapy Board of California within 30 days after receipt of this Citation.

If you wish to contest all or any part of this Citation, complete the enclosed "Notice of Appeal -Request for Informal Conference" form and return it to this office within 10 days after receipt of this Citation. The date indicated on the order of abatement will be held in abeyance only for any violation(s) you wish to contest. The time to correct all uncontested violations will be adhered to as specified. In the alternative, you may, within 30 days after receipt of this Citation, request a formal administrative hearing before an administrative law judge under the Administrative Procedure Act.

FAILURE TO RETURN THE REQUEST FOR INFORMAL CONFERENCE FORM OR TO REQUEST AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING WITHIN THE TIMES INDICATED WILL WAIVE YOUR RIGHT TO ADMINISTRATIVELY CONTEST OR APPEAL THIS CITATION.

Administrative Fine

\$ 100.00

FOR YOUR PROTECTION AND TO ASSURE PROPER CREDIT,
PLEASE RETURN THE COPY OF THE CITATION
AND NOTE THE CITATION NUMBER ON YOUR CHECK
OR MONEY ORDER.

April 26, 2004
Date

Original Signed By:
STEVEN K. HARTZELL
Executive Officer

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ORDER OF ABATEMENT

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Citation Against: Ruben Torres, P.T.A.

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Item No. 1

Violations: Business and Professions Code Section 2630 .

Description:

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Order of Correction

You are hereby ordered to abate this violation immediately and to cease and desist from further violation.

Failure to comply with the provisions of this Citation and Order of Abatement within 30 days of receipt may result in further legal action.